

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Cover arrangement for a surface drainage device or similar hollow body that is adapted to be ~~can be~~ installed in the ground and is to be opened, comprising a rectangular frame (10) adapted for installation ~~to be installed~~ in the ground and defining a plurality of insertion openings;
a cover (20) adapted for insertion ~~that can be inserted~~ into the frame (10);
hinge devices (22, 22') that retain ~~by means of which~~ the cover (20) ~~is retained~~ in the frame (10) and enable the cover to be ~~so that it can be~~ pivoted upward in an opening direction out of the frame; and
latch devices (23, 23') by means of which the cover (20) is adapted to ~~can be~~ locked into the frame (10) so that it will not open;
~~wherein~~
at least one of the hinge devices (22, 22') and/or the latch devices (23, 23') ~~are constructed as~~ comprising spring-action cast rods (21, 21') ~~and are~~ that are integrally connected to the cover; (20);
~~characterized in that and~~
the hinge devices and the latch devices both defining projections, at least one of which can be inserted into the frame (10) ~~comprises~~ insertion openings defined by the frame (15, 15') ~~into which can be inserted hinge projections (28, 28') or latch projections (29, 29'), as desired.~~
2. (Currently Amended) Cover arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ the latch devices (23, 23') comprise beveled contact surfaces (25, 25') such that in the presence of a force (F1) acting on the cover (20) in an opening direction, the latch devices (23, 23') are bent into an opening position.

3. (Currently Amended) Cover arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein ~~according to one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~ the hinge devices (22, 22') and the latch devices (23, 23') are identically shaped and are disposed at identical, symmetrical sites on the cover (20), ~~and are so constructed~~ such that the cover (20) is adapted to open ~~can be opened~~ toward either of two sides, as desired.
4. (Currently Amended) Cover arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein ~~or 2, characterized in that~~ the hinge devices (22, 22') are so constructed such that they can be released from the frame (10) by a force F2 directed substantially perpendicular to the opening direction.
5. (Currently Amended) Cover arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~ the frame (10) and the cover (20) define ~~comprise~~ seating surfaces (14, 14'; 24, 24') ~~that are so constructed and disposed~~ such that said ~~the~~ seating surfaces (14, 14'; 24, 24') are in engagement with one another when the cover (20) is closed.
6. (Currently Amended) Cover arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~ at the ~~an~~ edge of at least one of the cover (10) and/or the frame (20) defines an ~~there are~~ apertures (27) adapted to receive ~~for~~ placement of a releasing tool therein (40).
7. (Currently Amended) Cover arrangement according to Claims 1 ~~to 5~~, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ at least one of the cover (20) and/or the frame define an (10), ~~only on the openable sides of the cover (20), comprise~~ apertures (27) on an openable side thereof that is adapted to receive for placement of a releasing tool therein (40).
8. (Currently Amended) Cover arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~ the cover (20) is comprised ~~made~~ of cast iron; ~~preferably spherical graphite cast iron.~~
9. (New) Cover arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein the cover is comprised of spherical graphite cast iron.